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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF AMB SCALI'S EXPLANATION OF
VOTE FOLLOWING UNANIMOUS ADOPTION BY SC OF RESOLUTION
TRANSMITTED REFTEL:

QUOTE

OUR VOTE TODAY IS A CONTINUATION OF OUR EFFORTS TO EXTEND
THE RULE OF LAW. THE UNITED STATES HAS CONSISTENTLY JOINED
OTHER MEMBERS OF THIS COUNCIL TO EXPRESS ITS GRAVE CONCERN OVER
THE THREAT TO THE INNOCENT RESULTING FROM HIJACKING AND OTHER
UNLAWFUL OR UNWARRANTED INTERFERENCE WITH CIVIL AVIATION. OUR
VOTE IN NO WAY REPRESENTS A CHANGE IN MY GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS ON
THE PROBLEMS AND POSSIBILITIES FOR SOLUTION IN THE MIDDLE EAST.
NOR SHOULD IT BE INTERPRETED AS ENDORSING THE PRINCIPLE OF
SANCTIONS AS A MEANS OF DEALING WITH THIS PROBLEM.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT THE NEED FOR A
JUST PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THEY FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT THE
NEED TO ELIMINATE ALL FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM WHETHER
THEY BE BY INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS OR GOVERNMENTS. THEY ALSO FEEL
STRONGLY ABOUT THE RULE OF LAW, IN THE INTERNATIONAL FIELD AS
AT HOME.

THAT IS WHY I HAVE ON TWO OCCASIONS OBSERVED IN THIS
COUNCIL THAT THE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS NOT
ONLY CONTINUING -- TO THE SHAME OF US ALL -- BUT HAS TAKEN ON
NEWER AND UGLIER DIMENSIONS. "TO THE SHAME OF ALL MANKIND,
ACTS OF VIOLENCE AND TERROR, OFTEN STRIKING DOWN INNOCENT
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PEOPLE ARE ON THE VERGE OF BECOMING A ROUTINE FOOTNOTE TO THE
TRAGIC AND UNRESOLVED ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT."

TODAY WE HAVE TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS THE
REAFFIRMATION OF THE RULE OF LAW IN INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION.
LET ME REPEAT WHAT I SAID IN THIS CHAMBER ON TUESDAY: "NATIONAL
AND INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO CONTROL TERRORISM MUST GO FORWARD.
THEY MUST, HOWEVER, GO FORWARD WITHIN AND NOT OUTSIDE THE LAW."

THE FACT THAT THIS RESOLUTION CONFINES ITSELF TO EXPRESSING THE COUNCIL'S CONDEMNATION OF A SPECIFIC INCIDENT SHOULD SERVE AS NO COMFORT TO ANYONE CONTEMPLATING ILLEGAL ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR TERRORISM. RATHER IT IS A WARNING TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY THAT THE COMMUNITY WILL NO LONGER TOLERATE ILLEGAL INTERFERENCE WITH ONE OF THE BASIC MEANS OF COMMUNICATION FROM ANY QUARTER. SHOULD THERE BE FURTHER INSTANCES OF INTERNATIONAL LAWLESSNESS OR TERROR, I MOST SINCERELY HOPE THAT THIS BODY WILL AGAIN DEMONSTRATE SIMILAR UNITY AND DETERMINATION. NOR SHOULD OUR VOTE BE READ TO MEAN ANY COMMITMENT TO ANY KIND OF SPECIFIC MEASURES. TERRORISM, ILLEGAL VIOLENCE, AND THREATS TO THE INNOCENT MUST STOP. HUMANITY DEMANDS IT. OUR CONSCIENCE DEMANDS IT. WE FOR OUR PART WILL CONTINUE TO OPPOSE SUCH ACTIONS WHETHER BY GOVERNMENTS, INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS, REGARDLESS OF NATIONALITY OR OF MOTIVATION.

YESTERDAY I CALLED ON THIS COUNCIL TO UNITE ON A RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD MARK A TURNING POINT IN OUR EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE INTERNATIONAL LAWLESSNESS AND TERRORISM. ONLY TIME CAN TELL WHETHER WE HAVE DONE SO.

I PRAY THE ANSWER WILL BE: YES. UNQUOTE
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